

RESOLUTION 141

**WHEREAS**, the Sangamon County Board has the authority to place up to three advisory referendum questions on the ballot at each county wide election; and

**WHEREAS**, the Citizens Efficiency Commission of Sangamon County has submitted to the County Board the following four advisory referendum questions for consideration to be placed on the ballot:

1. Shall the office of township collector be abolished in Sangamon County with the duties to be assumed by the County Treasurer?
- ~~2. Shall the fire protection districts in Sangamon County, with voter approval, organize regionally in order to improve response times?~~
- ~~3. Shall all fire protection district trustees be elected rather than appointed by the County Board?~~
4. Shall the Sangamon County Board support with existing funds the further development of the Regional Leadership Council, a coalition of mayors and village presidents representing each of the municipalities in Sangamon County, so that the Council can develop cooperative programs, such as joint purchasing, that will improve local government efficiency?

**WHEREAS**, the Election Oversight Committee has met to determine a process for selecting three of the four advisory referendum questions for placement on the November 8<sup>th</sup> General Election ballot; and

**WHEREAS**, the Election Oversight Committee recommends that the four advisory referenda be submitted to the full Sangamon County Board, acting as a Committee of the Whole, where a written ballot is presented to the Committee of the Whole ranking the four proposed advisory questions in order of preference, with 1 being the most desirable and 4 being the least desirable, with the three lowest rank totals being submitted to the full County Board for approval to be submitted as the advisory referenda for the November 8<sup>th</sup> General Election ballot and that during the Committee of the Whole, public comment be allowed for any persons desiring to address the Sangamon County Committee of the Whole on these issues; and

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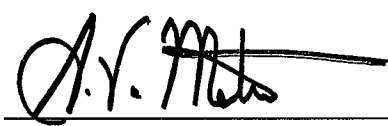
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Sangamon County Clerk

WHEREAS, while traditionally much of the debate and discussion of items on the County Board agenda is primarily conducted by the relevant oversight committee, the Committee of the Whole process has been used periodically as an effective and transparent process to allow all County Board members to participate at the same time in a discussion, including listening to public testimony, of an agenda item; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the members of the Sangamon County Board, that the following three questions shall be submitted as advisory referenda on the November 8<sup>th</sup> General Election ballot.

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Respectfully submitted,

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**Tuesday, August 9, 2016**

**Resolution 14 was amended to strike Referenda Questions 2 and 3, by unanimous voice vote.**